

Congressman Larson's Committee Assignments

The Committee on Ways and Means

The Committee on Ways and Means is the oldest committee of the United States Congress, and is the chief tax-writing committee in the House of Representatives. The Committee derives a large share of its jurisdiction from Article I, Section VII of the U.S. Constitution which declares, "All Bills for raising Revenue shall originate in the House of Representatives."

The jurisdiction of the committee includes the critically important areas of revenue, tariffs, reciprocal trade agreements, and the bonded debt of the United States. Revenue-related aspects of the Social Security system, Medicare, and social services programs are also within the purview of the Committee.

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The Select Committee on Global Warming

Global climate change presents one of the gravest threats not only to our planet's health, but also to the United States' economy, national security, and public health. Recognizing the urgency of these challenges, Speaker Pelosi announced at the outset of the 110th Congress her intention to create a select committee to tackle them.

On March 8, 2007, the House passed Resolution 202, establishing the Select Committee on Energy Independence and Global Warming and directing it to "investigate, study, make findings, and develop recommendations on policies, strategies, technologies and other innovations, intended to reduce the dependence of the United States on foreign sources of energy and achieve substantial and permanent reductions in emissions and other activities that contribute to climate change and global warming." In keeping with this mandate, the Select Committee has worked to identify balanced and workable solutions to the urgent challenge of securing

America's energy independence while combating global warming.

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